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L3 19 S L2 AND ORAL?

L3 ANSWER 1 OF 19 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:493637 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 137:72975

TITLE: **Oral sulodexide** reduces albuminuria in microalbuminuric and macroalbuminuric type 1 and type 2 diabetic patients: the Di.N.A.S. randomized trial

AUTHOR(S): Gambaro, Giovanni; Kinalska, Ida; Oksa, Adrian; Pont'uch, Peter; Hertlova, Miluse; Olsovsky, Jindrich; Manitius, Jacek; Fedele, Domenico; Czekalski, Stanislaw; Perusicova, Jindriska; Skrha, Jan; Taton, Jan; Grzeszczak, Wladyslaw; Crepaldi, Gaetano

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Medical and Surgical Science, Division of Nephrology, University of Padua, Padua, Italy

SOURCE: Journal of the American Society of Nephrology (2002), 13(6), 1615-1625

CODEN: JASNEU; ISSN: 1046-6673

PUBLISHER: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

LANGUAGE: English

AB **Diabetic nephropathy** may be effectively prevented and treated by controlling glycemia and administering angiotensin-converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors. However, strict metabolic control can be difficult, and ACE inhibitors may be poorly tolerated and only partially effective, particularly in diabetes mellitus type 2 (DM2), warranting the search for ancillary treatment. **Sulodexide** is a glycosaminoglycan, a new class of drug that has demonstrated nephroprotective activity in exptl. investigations. The Di.N.A.S. study was a randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, multicenter, dose-range finding trial to evaluate the extent and duration of the hypoalbuminuric effect of **oral sulodexide** in diabetic patients. A total of 223 microalbuminuric and macroalbuminuric DM1 and DM2 patients with serum creatinine ≤ 150 $\mu\text{mol/L}$ and stable BP and metabolic control were recruited. They were randomly allocated to one of four groups: 50 mg/d, 100 mg/d, or 200 mg/d **sulodexide** daily or placebo for 4 mo (T0 to T4), with 4 mo of follow-up after drug suspension (T4 to T8). Treatment with 200 mg/d **sulodexide** for 4 mo significantly reduced log albumin excretion rate (logAER) from 5.25 ± 0.18 at T0 to 3.98 ± 0.11 at T4 ($P < 0.05$), which was maintained till T8 (4.11 ± 0.13 ; $P < 0.05$ vs. T0). Moreover, the **sulodexide**-induced percent redns. in AER at T4 were significantly different from the placebo value at T4 and approx. linear to dose increments 30% [confidence limits, 4 to 49%], $P = 0.03$; 49% [30 to 63%], $P = 0.0001$; and 74% [64 to 81 %], $P = 0.0001$ in the **sulodexide** 50, 100, and 200 mg/d groups, resp. At T8, the **sulodexide** 200 mg/d group maintained a 62% (45 to 73%) AER significant redn. vs. placebo ($P = 0.0001$). Subanal. by type of diabetes (DM1 vs. DM2, microalbuminuric vs. macroalbuminuric, or on concomitant ACE inhibitors vs. not on ACE inhibitors) demonstrated similar findings. These effects were obtained without any significant variation in metabolic control and BP or serum creatinine. Very few adverse events were reported; none were serious. In conclusion, a 4-mo course of high doses of **sulodexide** significantly and dose-dependently improves albuminuria in DM1 and DM2 patients and micro- or macroalbuminuric patients with or without concomitant ACE inhibition. The effect on albuminuria is long-lasting and seemingly additive to the ACE inhibitory effect.

REFERENCE COUNT: 45 THERE ARE 45 CITED REFERENCES AVAILABLE FOR THIS RECORD. ALL CITATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE RE FORMAT

L3 ANSWER 2 OF 19 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:903822 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 136:25121

TITLE: Compositions containing **sulodexide** for the treatment of **diabetic nephropathy**

INVENTOR(S): Palazzini, Ernesto; Gambaro, Giovanni
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Alfa Wassermann, Inc., USA
 SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 18 pp.
 CODEN: PIXXD2
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent
 LANGUAGE: English
 FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1
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WO 2001093850	A3	20020822		
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US 2002065233	A1	20020530	US 2001-873234	20010604
EP 1292315	A2	20030319	EP 2001-939923	20010606

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BR 2001011464	A	20030506	BR 2001-11464	20010606
NO 2002005849	A	20021205	NO 2002-5849	20021205

PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: US 2000-209907P P 20000607
 WO 2001-US18411 W 20010606

AB The present invention provides **oral** formulations of **sulodexide** for the treatment of **diabetic nephropathy** in patients with both insulin dependent and non-insulin dependent diabetes mellitus. **Oral** formulations contg. doses adapted for administration to obtain a redn. in albumin excretion in patients with both micro and macro albuminuria and to produce lasting improvement in albumin excretion rate are provided. Methods of treating **diabetic nephropathy** using these formulations are also provided. The percent redn. in the albumin excretion rate after a 4-mo treatment with **sulodexide** was significantly different from placebo, and approx. linear to dose increments. The group receiving **sulodexide** at 50 mg/day had a 31% redn. in AER.

L3 ANSWER 3 OF 19 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1997:781013 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 128:213127

TITLE: Effect of glycosaminoglycans on urinary albumin excretion in insulin-dependent diabetic patients with micro- or macroalbuminuria

AUTHOR(S): Poplawska, A.; Szelachowska, M.; Topolska, J.; Wysocka-Solowie, B.; Kinalska, I.

CORPORATE SOURCE: 24a M. Curie-Sklodowskiej St, Department of Endocrinology, Medical Academy Bialystok, 15-276 Bialystok, Pol.

SOURCE: Diabetes Research and Clinical Practice (1997), 38(2), 109-114

CODEN: DRCPE9; ISSN: 0168-8227

PUBLISHER: Elsevier Science Ireland Ltd.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

LANGUAGE: English

AB The aim here was to investigate whether **sulodexide** treatment is capable of influencing urinary albumin excretion rate (UAER) in insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus patients (type I) with micro- or

macroalbuminuria. A total of 14-inpatients (7 with micro and 7 with macroalbuminuria) were enrolled and were treated first i.m. with a 60 mg vial of **sulodexide**/day for 10 days, and then orally with 25 mg capsules twice a day for 21 days. UAER was estd. before starting treatment (T0), after the i.m. treatment phase (T1), and at the end of the oral treatment (T2). No differences in hematochem. and coagulative parameters were registered after treatment, with respect to basal values. On the contrary, a marked decrease in UAER mean values was registered at the end of both the parenteral and the oral treatment periods (T0: 349.9 mg/24 h, range 80-820; T1: 237 mg/24 h, range 7-620; T2: 91.4 mg/24 h, range: 2-306). All the differences were statistically significant vs. baseline. At T2, a normalization of UAER was obsd. in 3 microalbuminuric and in 2 macroalbuminuric patients, and a remarkable decrease was found in addnl. 4 and 5 patients, resp. UAER was still lower than at baseline after 6 wk of follow-up. This preliminary study suggests that **sulodexide** is effective in reducing UAER in type I patients with **diabetic nephropathy**.

REFERENCE COUNT: 12 THERE ARE 12 CITED REFERENCES AVAILABLE FOR THIS RECORD. ALL CITATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE RE FORMAT

L3 ANSWER 4 OF 19 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1995:257956 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 122:23851

TITLE: Use of **sulodexide** and of medicines containing it for the treatment of **diabetic nephropathy**.

INVENTOR(S): Marchi, Egidio; Tamagnone, Gianfranco

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Alfa Wassermann S.p.A., Italy

SOURCE: Eur. Pat. Appl., 10 pp.

CODEN: EPXXDW

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: English

FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1

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EP 624374	A1	19941117	EP 1994-107051	19940505
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R: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LI, LU, NL, PT, SE				
CA 2120062	AA	19941111	CA 1994-2120062	19940328
US 5496807	A	19960305	US 1994-227502	19940414
JP 06329541	A2	19941129	JP 1994-91713	19940428
JP 2702400	B2	19980121		
AT 198278	E	20010115	AT 1994-107051	19940505
ES 2152272	T3	20010201	ES 1994-107051	19940505

PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: IT 1993-BO205 A 19930510

AB The use of **sulodexide**, a glycosaminoglycan of natural origin extd. from mammalian intestinal mucosa, and of medicines contg. it, in the treatment of patients suffering from nephropathy of diabetic origin is disclosed. The effectiveness of **sulodexide** has been shown by the significant decrease of the albuminuria in microalbuminuric and macroalbuminuric diabetic patients treated with pharmaceutical compns. (oral or i.m.) contg. therapeutically effective amts. of the drug.

L3 ANSWER 5 OF 19 MEDLINE on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002309473 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 22035508 PubMed ID: 12039991

TITLE: **Oral sulodexide** reduces albuminuria in microalbuminuric and macroalbuminuric type 1 and type 2 diabetic patients: the Di.N.A.S. randomized trial.

AUTHOR: Gambaro Giovanni; Kinalska Ida; Oksa Adrian; Pont'uch Peter; Hertlova Miluse; Olsovsky Jindrich; Manitius Jacek; Fedele Domenico; Czekalski Stanislaw; Perusicova Jindriska;

Skrha Jan; Taton Jan; Grzeszczak Wladyslaw; Crepaldi Gaetano
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Medical and Surgical Science, Division of Nephrology, University of Padua, Padua, Italy..
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SOURCE: JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF NEPHROLOGY, (2002 Jun) 13 (6) 1615-25.
Journal code: 9013836. ISSN: 1046-6673.
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AB **Diabetic nephropathy** may be effectively prevented and treated by controlling glycemia and administering angiotensin-converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors. However, strict metabolic control can be difficult, and ACE inhibitors may be poorly tolerated and only partially effective, particularly in diabetes mellitus type 2 (DM2), warranting the search for ancillary treatment. **Sulodexide** is a glycosaminoglycan, a new class of drug that has demonstrated nephroprotective activity in experimental investigations. The Di.N.A.S. study was a randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, multicenter, dose-range finding trial to evaluate the extent and duration of the hypoalbuminuric effect of **oral sulodexide** in diabetic patients. A total of 223 microalbuminuric and macroalbuminuric DM1 and DM2 patients with serum creatinine < or =150 micromol/L and stable BP and metabolic control were recruited. They were randomly allocated to one of four groups: 50 mg/d, 100 mg/d, or 200 mg/d **sulodexide** daily or placebo for 4 mo (T0 to T4), with 4 mo of follow-up after drug suspension (T4 to T8). Treatment with 200 mg/d **sulodexide** for 4 mo significantly reduced log albumin excretion rate (logAER) from 5.25 +/- 0.18 at T0 to 3.98 +/- 0.11 at T4 (P < 0.05), which was maintained till T8 (4.11 +/- 0.13; P < 0.05 versus T0). Moreover, the **sulodexide**-induced percent reductions in AER at T4 were significantly different from the placebo value at T4 and approximately linear to dose increments (30% [confidence limits, 4 to 49%], P = 0.03; 49% [30 to 63%], P = 0.0001; and 74% [64 to 81%], P = 0.0001 in the **sulodexide** 50, 100, and 200 mg/d groups, respectively. At T8, the **sulodexide** 200 mg/d group maintained a 62% (45 to 73%) AER significant reduction versus placebo (P = 0.0001). Subanalysis by type of diabetes (DM1 versus DM2, microalbuminuric versus macroalbuminuric, or on concomitant ACE inhibitors versus not on ACE inhibitors) demonstrated similar findings. These effects were obtained without any significant variation in metabolic control and BP or serum creatinine. Very few adverse events were reported; none were serious. In conclusion, a 4-mo course of high doses of **sulodexide** significantly and dose-dependently improves albuminuria in DM1 and DM2 patients and micro- or macroalbuminuric patients with or without concomitant ACE inhibition. The effect on albuminuria is long-lasting and seemingly additive to the ACE inhibitory effect.

L3 ANSWER 6 OF 19 MEDLINE on STN
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000109387 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 20109387 PubMed ID: 10645038
TITLE: [The effect of glycosaminoglycan **sulodexide** on albuminuria in patients with diabetes mellitus].
Ucinok glykozaminoglykanu sulodexidu na albuminuriu u pacientov s diabetes mellitus.

AUTHOR: Oksa A; Pontuch P; Kratochvilova H
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Pharmacotherapy, Institute of Clinical and Preventive Medicine, Bratislava, Slovakia.. oksa@upkm.sk
 SOURCE: BRATISLAVSKE LEKARSKE LISTY, (1999 Sep) 100 (9) 486-9.
 Journal code: 0065324. ISSN: 0006-9248.
 PUB. COUNTRY: Slovakia
 DOCUMENT TYPE: (CLINICAL TRIAL)
 Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
 LANGUAGE: Slovak
 FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
 ENTRY MONTH: 200002
 ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 20000218
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 Entered Medline: 20000210

AB BACKGROUND: Experimental and clinical studies showed a decrease in albuminuria, a marker of **diabetic nephropathy** after administration of heparin or other glycosaminoglycans (GAG). OBJECTIVES: To study the effect of **sulodexide** on albumin excretion rate (AER) in patients with type 1 or type 2 diabetes mellitus (DM). METHODS: Twenty patients (12 of type 1 DM) aged 33-63 yrs (median 45) with microalbuminuria (AER 20-200 micrograms/min) or macroalbuminuria (AER > 200 micrograms/min) were enrolled in open study and received **sulodexide** 60 mg/day i.m. for 3 weeks with further 6-week follow-up without treatment. In the 2nd phase, **sulodexide** 100 mg/day was given p.o. for 8 weeks with further 8-weeks follow-up. Albuminuria in overnight urine samples was analyzed by the RIA method and results (medians with lower and upper quartiles) were compared by the Wilcoxon test. RESULTS: In the 1st phase, AER (microgram/min) decreased from 167 (54-378) at baseline to 118 (78-220) at week 1 ($p < 0.05$), 105 (68-341) at week 2 ($p < 0.05$), and to 114 (56-354) at week 3 (NS). After stopping the treatment, AER gradually raised to baseline values. During the **oral** phase, AER decreased from 253 (37-961) to 137 (35-323) after 1 month ($p < 0.05$) and to 144 (47-588) after 2 months (NS). This effect was prolonged for further 2 months after treatment withdrawal (AER 110 (65-363) micrograms/min, $p < 0.05$). In both phases, the decrease in AER was shown only in patients with macroalbuminuria, but not in those with microalbuminuria. Blood pressure, glomerular filtration rate and metabolic compensation of DM were not changed. CONCLUSION: A short-term treatment with **sulodexide** i.m. or p.o. significantly decreased albuminuria in DM patients. This effect was prolonged for further 2 months after **oral** administration. Therefore, **sulodexide** could be useful in the treatment of **diabetic nephropathy**. (Tab. 3, Ref. 20.)

L3 ANSWER 7 OF 19 MEDLINE on STN
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998144368 MEDLINE
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 98144368 PubMed ID: 9483374
 TITLE: Effect of glycosaminoglycans on urinary albumin excretion in insulin-dependent diabetic patients with micro- or macroalbuminuria.
 AUTHOR: Poplawska A; Szelachowska M; Topolska J; Wysocka-Solowie B; Kinalska I
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Endocrinology, Medical Academy Bialystok, Poland.
 SOURCE: DIABETES RESEARCH AND CLINICAL PRACTICE, (1997 Nov) 38 (2) 109-14.
 Journal code: 8508335. ISSN: 0168-8227.
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 LANGUAGE: English
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AB The aim of this study was to investigate whether **sulodexide** treatment is capable of influencing urinary albumin excretion rate (UAER) in insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus patients (type I) with micro- or macroalbuminuria. A total of 14-inpatients (seven with micro and seven with macroalbuminuria) were enrolled and were treated first intramuscularly with a 60 mg vial of **sulodexide**/day for 10 days, and then **orally** with 25 mg capsules twice a day for 21 days. UAER was estimated before starting treatment (T0), after the i.m. treatment phase (T1) and at the end of the **oral** treatment (T2). No statistically significant differences in hematochemical and coagulative parameters were registered after treatment, with respect to basal values. On the contrary, a marked decrease in UAER mean values was registered at the end of both the parenteral and the **oral** treatment periods (T0: 349.9 mg/24 h, range 80-820; T1: 237 mg/24 h, range 7-620; T2: 91.4 mg/24 h, range: 2-306). All the differences were statistically significant ($P < 0.001$) versus baseline. At T2, a normalisation of UAER was observed in three microalbuminuric and in two macroalbuminuric patients, and a remarkable decrease was found in additional four and five patients, respectively. UAER was found to be still significantly lower than at baseline after 6 weeks of follow-up. This preliminary study suggests that **sulodexide** is effective in reducing UAER in type I patients with **diabetic nephropathy**.

L3 ANSWER 8 OF 19 MEDLINE on STN
ACCESSION NUMBER: 97281640 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 97281640 PubMed ID: 9135948
TITLE: Glycosaminoglycans delay the progression of nephropathy in NIDDM.
AUTHOR: Solini A; Vergnani L; Ricci F; Crepaldi G
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Internal Medicine, University of Padova, Italy.. flr@ifeuniv.unife.it
SOURCE: DIABETES CARE, (1997 May) 20 (5) 819-23.
Journal code: 7805975. ISSN: 0149-5992.
PUB. COUNTRY: United States
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LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals
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AB OBJECTIVE: To determine the effect of **oral** administration of glycosaminoglycans on metabolic control and albumin excretion rate (AER) in NIDDM patients with increased urinary albumin excretion. RESEARCH DESIGN AND METHODS: Twelve NIDDM hypertensive patients (age 52 +/- 3 years, HbA1c 7.7 +/- 0.2%) on antihypertensive treatment were enrolled in a double-blind placebo-controlled study, assuming either placebo or **sulodexide** (100 mg/day) for 4 months; at the end of this period, a crossover was performed. We have evaluated routine biochemical parameters plus AER and coagulative function every 2 months. RESULTS: Both plasma fibrinogen (from 4.15 +/- 0.32 to 2.77 +/- 0.47 mmol/l) and AER (from 128.3 +/- 40.6 to 39.6 +/- 11.9 micrograms/min) decreased significantly after treatment with glycosaminoglycans in respect to placebo; moreover, blood pressure control ameliorated, also in the absence of any variation of therapy. CONCLUSIONS: Glycosaminoglycan therapy, likely in association with a satisfactory control of blood pressure values, seems to prevent the progression of **diabetic nephropathy** in NIDDM.

L3 ANSWER 9 OF 19 USPATFULL on STN
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:17926 USPATFULL

TITLE: Methods using glycosaminoglycans for the treatment of nephropathy
INVENTOR(S): Laster, Morris, Jerusalem, ISRAEL
Shelach, Noa, Jerusalem, ISRAEL
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Keryx (non-U.S. corporation)

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PATENT INFORMATION:	US 2003013680	A1	20030116
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FILE SEGMENT:	APPLICATION	
LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE:	PENNIE AND EDMONDS, 1155 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, NEW YORK, NY, 100362711	
NUMBER OF CLAIMS:	8	
EXEMPLARY CLAIM:	1	
LINE COUNT:	552	
CAS INDEXING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PATENT.		
AB	The present invention relates to a method for the treatment of HIV-associated nephropathy by administration of glycosaminoglycans, and in particular, by the administration of sulodexide .	

CAS INDEXING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PATENT.

L3 ANSWER 10 OF 19 USPATFULL on STN
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:126716 USPATFULL
TITLE: Methods and compositions using **sulodexide** for the treatment of **diabetic nephropathy**
INVENTOR(S): Palazzini, Ernesto, Bologna, ITALY
Gambaro, Giovanni, Scorze (Venezia), ITALY

	NUMBER	KIND	DATE
PATENT INFORMATION:	US 2002065233	A1	20020530
APPLICATION INFO.:	US 2001-873234	A1	20010604 (9)

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PRIORITY INFORMATION:	US 2000-209907P	20000607 (60)
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LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE:	PENNIE AND EDMONDS, 1155 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, NEW YORK, NY, 100362711	
NUMBER OF CLAIMS:	29	
EXEMPLARY CLAIM:	1	
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CAS INDEXING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PATENT.		
AB	The present invention provides oral formulations of Sulodexide for the treatment of diabetic nephropathy in patients with both insulin dependent and non-insulin dependent diabetes mellitus. Oral formulations containing doses adapted for administration to obtain a reduction in albumin excretion in patients with both micro and macro albuminuria and to produce lasting improvement in albumin excretion rate are provided. Methods of treating diabetic nephropathy using these formulations are also provided.	

CAS INDEXING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PATENT.

L3 ANSWER 11 OF 19 USPATFULL on STN
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 96:19080 USPATFULL
 TITLE: Method of treatment of **diabetic nephropathy** by means of **sulodexide** of medicines containing it
 INVENTOR(S): Marchi, Egidio, Bologna, Italy
 Tamagnone, Gianfranco, Bologna, Italy
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Alfa Wassermann S.p.A., Pescara, Italy (non-U.S. corporation)

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LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE:	Bucknam and Archer	
NUMBER OF CLAIMS:	4	
EXEMPLARY CLAIM:	1	
LINE COUNT:	332	

CAS INDEXING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PATENT.

AB The use of **sulodexide**, a glycosaminoglycan of natural origin extracted from mammalian intestinal mucosa, and of medicines containing it in the treatment of patients suffering from nephropathy of diabetic origin constitutes the object of the present invention. The effectiveness of **sulodexide** has been shown by the significative decrease of the albuminuria in microalbuminuric and macroalbuminuric diabetic patients treated with pharmaceutical compositions administered by **oral** or intramuscular route containing therapeutically effective amounts of drug.

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 AUTHOR: GAMBARO Giovanni; KINALSKA Ida; OKSA Adrian; PONT'UCH Peter; HERTLOVA Miluse; OLSOVSKY Jindrich; MANITIUS Jacek; FEDELE Domenico; CZEKALSKI Stanislaw; PERUSICOVA Jindriska; SKRHA Jan; TATON Jan; GRZESZCZAK Wladyslaw; CREPALDI Gaetano
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Medical and Surgical Science, Division of Nephrology, University of Padua, Padua, Italy; Department of Endocrinology, Medical Academy, Bialystoc, Poland; Institute of Preventive and Clinical Medicine, Clinical Pharmacology Department, Bratislava, Slovakia; First Internal Clinic of Medicine, Faculty Hospital, Bratislava, Slovakia; Internal Clinic, Faculty Hospital, Brno, Czech Republic; Second Internal Clinic of Medicine, Diabetology Day-Hospital, Brno, Czech Republic; Department of Nephrology, The Ludwik Rydygier Medical University in Bydgoszcz, Bydgoszcz, Poland; Department

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Geriatric Hospital, University of Padua, Padua, Italy;
Department of Nephrology, Medical Academy, Poznan,
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of Internal Diseases and Diabetology, Silesian School
of Medicine, Zabrze, Poland; Department of Medical and
Surgical Science, 1.sup.s.sup.t Medical Clinic,
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CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Endocrinology, Medical Academy Bialystock, 24a M. Curie-Sklodowskiej St., 15-276 Bialystock, Poland
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AB CAMBRIDGE, Mass. and JERUSALEM, Israel -- Keryx Biopharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: KERX; AIM: KRX) today announced that it has received approval from the South African Medicines Control Council for the initiation of a Phase II clinical trial of Keryx's investigational drug candidate KRX-101 (**sulodexide**) for the treatment of Human Immunodeficiency Virus Associated Nephropathy (HIVAN) in AIDS patients. Keryx intends to initiate this trial next month and expects to have the results within this calendar year.

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AB CAMBRIDGE, Mass. and JERUSALEM -- Keryx Biopharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: KERX; AIM: KRX), today announced that it has obtained an exclusive worldwide license to a novel technology known as Small Integrated Building-blocks ("SIB"), for the conversion of peptides and other existing drugs into small molecules that have the potential for **oral** delivery.

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AB Alkermes Inc., of Cambridge, Mass., completed enrollment in the first clinical trial of its proprietary injectable sustained-release formulation of naltrexone, an FDA-approved drug used for the treatment of alcoholism and opiate abuse. The drug is currently available in a daily **oral** form. Medisorb naltrexone is based on Alkermes' Medisorb injectable sustained-release drug delivery technology. Based on early data, Alkermes is preparing for larger efficacy trials. Data from the trial will be presented at the 39th annual meeting of the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology in December.

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microalbuminuric and macroalbuminuric type I and type 2 diabetic patients: The Di.NAS randomized trial

AUTHOR: Gambaro G (Reprint); Kinalska I; Oksa A; Pont'uch P; Hertlova M; Olsovsky J; Manitijs J; Fedele D; Czekalski S; Perusicova J; Skrha J; Taton J; Grzeszczak W; Crepaldi G
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AB OBJECTIVE - To determine the effect of **oral** administration of glycosaminoglycans on metabolic control and albumin excretion rate (AER) in NIDDM patients with increased urinary albumin excretion.
RESEARCH DESIGN AND METHODS - Twelve NIDDM hypertensive patients (age 52 +/- 3 years, HbA(1c) 7.7 +/- 0.2%) on antihypertensive treatment were enrolled in a double-blind placebo-controlled study, assuming either placebo or **sulodexide** (100 mg/day) for 4 months; at the end of this period, a crossover was performed. We have evaluated routine

biochemical parameters plus AER and coagulative function every 2 months.

RESULTS - Both plasma fibrinogen (from 4.15 +/- 0.32 to 2.77 +/- 0.47 mmol/l) and AER (from 128.3 +/- 40.6 to 39.6 +/- 11.9 μ g/min) decreased significantly after treatment with glycosaminoglycans in respect to placebo; moreover, blood pressure control ameliorated, also in the absence of any variation of therapy.

CONCLUSIONS - Glycosaminoglycan therapy, likely in association with a satisfactory control of blood pressure values, seems to prevent the progression of **diabetic nephropathy** in NIDDM.

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